## FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. H3094, As Amended

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TO:	The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee		
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SUBJECT:	Sex Offenders		

#### ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

Minimal (Some additional costs expected but can be absorbed)

#### ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

#### **BILL SUMMARY:**

House Bill 3094, as amended on March 11, 2008, limits the locations in which a convicted sex offender may reside and provides penalties for violations. The Bill further mandates that school districts must provide sex offender registry information to parents of students in their respective districts.

### **EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:**

## Judicial Department

The Department indicates this Bill will have a minimal impact on the General Fund of the State, which can be absorbed by the agency at the current level of funding. Should the additional case load for the General Sessions Court increase significantly, the Judicial Department may have to request additional judges and staff to elevate the backlog of cases.

#### Department of Corrections

The Department indicates this Bill will have a minimal impact on the General Fund of the State, which can be absorbed by the agency at the current level of funding. Although the number of prison admissions which may result from this new offense is not readily determinable, it is not expected to be significant..

#### Department of Education (SDE)

SDE estimates this Bill will have no fiscal impact for that agency. However, there could be an impact on local school districts if they fail to add a sex offender link on their respective websites.

### Other Agencies

The Department of Social Services, Department of Disabilities and Special Needs, the State Law Enforcement Division, School for the Deaf and Blind and Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School each indicate this Bill would have little or no impact on expenditures which can be absorbed within existing resources.

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

The FIST network of local governments was surveyed to determine the fiscal impact of this Bill. Two counties indicated minimal impact with one estimating \$5,000 - \$10,000 annually. Two municipalities responded with no impact.

# **SPECIAL NOTES:**

None.

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